FRAUDULENT LETTERS

Attention all DOT current or potential contractors and all contracting personnel

There has been another round of fraudulent letters issued to current U. S. Department of Transportation (DOT) contractors and potential contractors purporting to be issued by DOT. These fraudulent letters request that current or potential contractors register in the DoD Central Contractor Registration System (CCR). Please be aware that DOT does not require any confidential information to be submitted to verify CCR registration and that all companies should verify personally that they are sending information to an authorized DOT official before submitting confidential company information.

The latest letters have been dated December 19th, 2005 signed by "Frank M. Orell", February 8, 2006 signed by "Randy Cohen" and April 27, 2006, July 28, 2006 signed by "Dan Jacobs", and November 8, 2006, February 26, 2007 signed by "Lisa Johnson" and March 26, 2007 and May 10, 2007 signed by "Jason Scarlett" and July 20, 2007 signed by "George Mason", and August 27, 2007 signed by "Julie P. Wenzel" as the Senior Procurement Officer. Please DO NOT complete the requested CCR worksheet that is attached to the letter and DO NOT release any information to the facsimile number cited in the letter. For an example of the letters being sent out, see http://www.dot.gov/ost/m60/LuntLetter07_20_2007.pdf.

The CCR is a legitimate government system, however to register contractors should go directly through the CCR website not through a third party. There is no requirement to send information directly to DOT. For information on how to register in the CCR, please visit website www.ccr.gov or http://www.ccr.gov/index.cfm.

The point of contact concerning these fraudulent letters is the Department of Transportation Office of the Inspector General Hotline at 1-800-424-9071.

NOTE: One way to determine that the letter is fraudulent is that it has the old building address on it.